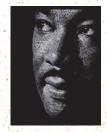


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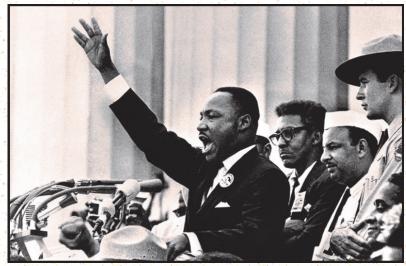
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50th Anniversary of The March on Washington and Dr. King's "I Have a DREAM" Speech

On August 28, 1963 over 200,000 Americans along with civil rights and religious groups marched onto Washington, D.C. to shed light on the political and social challenges African Americans faced all across the country. What is now known as The March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom became a key moment in the growing struggle for civil rights in the United States.

August 28, 2013 marks the 50th anniversary of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s "I have a DREAM..." speech and The March on Washington. As one of the most famous speeches in history, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. demanded racial justice and equality for everyone, changing the fate of African Americans in the United States forever.

To commemorate this important time in history, Governor Gary R. Herbert and the Utah Office of Multicultural Affairs



Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D.C.

are joining States across the nation in a bell-ringing ceremony to mark the date and time; a half century to the minute after Dr. King delivered his historic address. (Continued on Page 2)



Governor Herbert Signs Three Bills to Prevent Teen Bullying

On May 17th Multicultural Affairs accompanied Governor Gary R. Herbert as he visited Cyprus High School to ceremonially sign three bills aimed at helping to prevent teen bullying and suicide; HB134, HB298, and HB154.

HB134 will require schools to notify parents if their children are bullied or threaten suicide; HB298 will require school districts to hold annual seminars for parents on bullying, mental health, substance abuse and Internet safety; and HB154 will require school districts and charter schools to implement youth suicide prevention programs for junior high and high school students, among other things.

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Governor Herbert is calling upon places of worship, schools and held on the National Mall in Washington D.C. on August 28th, other areas in Utah where bells are prevalent to join him in ringing them in a bell-ringing ceremony to help commemorate Dr. King's call to "Let freedom ring!"

"Let freedom ring from the prodigious hilltops of New Hampshire. Let freedom ring from the mighty mountains of New York. Let freedom ring from the heightening Alleghenies of Pennsylvania! Let freedom ring from the snowcapped Rockies of Colorado! Let freedom ring from the curvaceous slopes of California! But not only that, let freedom ring from Stone Mountain of Georgia! Let freedom ring from Lookout Mountain of Tennessee! Let freedom ring from every hill and molehill of Mississippi."

Martin Luther King, Jr.

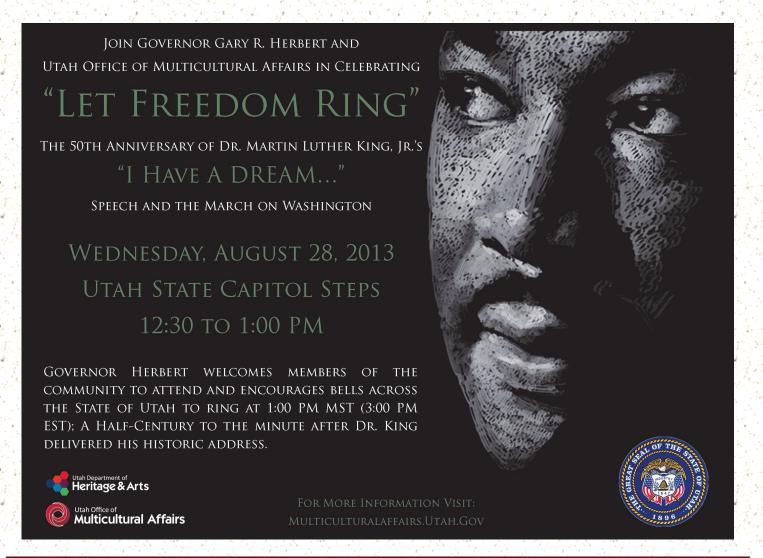
Coinciding with the 'Commemoration and Call to Action' to be Governor Herbert and the Utah Office of Multicultural Affairs will commemorate in celebrating Dr. King's "I have a DREAM" speech on this same day at 12:30 p.m. at the Utah State Capitol Steps.

At this time, Governor Herbert will reissue and sign the Executive Order for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Human Rights Commission. The MLK Human Rights Commission was created on July 1, 1991 to promote diversity, equity and human rights.

The Commission works to promote the principles of human rights by conducting workshops and trainings; promoting education and awareness of the principles of human rights for all; assisting schools in promoting appropriate events to honor human rights and the holiday; and to serve as a resource for state government so it can increase or improve its level of responsiveness to human rights.

So please join us on August 28th at 12:30 p.m. to let freedom ring from the Wasatch Mountains of Utah!

Visit multicultural affairs. utah. gov for more information.





Artes de México Art & Food class featuring the works of Teresa Margolles, a Mexican performance artist, and Frida Bistro, serving traditional Mexican cuisine.

Hispanic Heritage Month 2013: Sept. 15 - Oct. 15

Hispanic Heritage Month celebrates the culture and traditions of those who trace their roots to Spain, Mexico and the Spanish-speaking nations of Central American, South America and the Caribbean.

September 15th not only marks the starting point of Hispanic Heritage Month it also commemorates the anniversary of independence of five Latin American countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua followed by Mexico and Chile on September 16th and 18th, respectively.

This month is also a celebration of the generations of Hispanic Americans who have positively influenced and enriched our nation and society. As the nation's largest ethnic minority group, the Hispanic population is projected to continue to increase; an estimated 128.8 million by 2060 constituting 31% of the nation's population by that date.

Stay up-to-date on events throughout this month by visiting our "Calendar of Events" page on the Multicultural Affairs website.

Source: U.S. Census

Mondays in the Park

Started in 1987, the Utah Division of Arts & Museums and the Chase Home Museum of Utah Folk Arts has hosted free outdoor performances featuring various cultural communities living in Utah.

The free concerts are held every Monday evening in July and August in front of the Chase Home Museum located in the middle of Liberty Park. It is not uncommon for participants to bring their own lawn chairs, blankets, and picnics or to see local craft artists sharing their work.

This year the lineup included a variety of folk music and ethnic dance from the Harry Lee and the Back Alley Blues Band, a Flamenco Dance Troupe to Mariachi singers and Native American flute music.

Rounding out the concert series on August 19th is "Evening in Brazil," music from the Bossa Nova movement. The concert starts at 7:00 p.m. so arrive early for the best spot!

Artes De México

Founded in 2011, Artes de México's mission is to promote the appreciation of Mexican art in Utah with a vision of a community united through cultural appreciation and connections.

Artes de México also sponsors educational events supporting the arts of Mexico. This includes the inclusion of the arts of Mexico in public community cultural offerings and supporting public entities and nonprofits that are teaching or promoting the arts of Mexico.

Upcoming events include an Art and Food class on September 19th "Reshaping Identity" where University of Utah history senior Renato Olmedo-González will talk about how the events of the 1960's reshaped Mexico's "revolutionary" identity and Chef Raúl of Frida Bistro will share dishes that proclaim Mexico's independence through seasonal ingredients that reflect Mexico's history and the colors of its flag. Also featured on October 17th is Mexican dancer, Jessica Salazar, who will talk about the dances of Mexico and the company she founded, Ballet Folkórico de las Americas, which performed at President Obama's 2012 inauguration.

Many of the programs described here are made possible through partnerships with other organizations including the Consulate of Mexico, the University of Utah, Latinos in Action, and many more. For more information visit www.artesdemexicoenutah.org.

National Survey of African Americans

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, NPR, and the Harvard School of Public Health recently conducted a national survey examining African American's views on their personal and family lives, community, experiences of discrimination, and financial situations.

While significant problems and concerns are reported on both a personal and a community level, African Americans also express high levels of satisfaction with their lives in general and the areas where they live.

Key Findings:

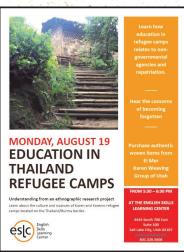
- Over 80% of African Americans say they are satisfied with their lives overall (86%) and their communities (82%)
- Roughly half of employed (44%) and unemployed (41%) African Americans reported feeling very or somewhat concerned that they or someone in their household might be out of work and looking for a job in the next year; and almost half (45%) not confident they would have sufficient money or health insurance to pay for a major illness.
- Over one-third (36%) report experiences of a negative event as a result of racism.
- A majority (81%) report satisfaction with the health care services they or their family members have used; however, close to one-third (30%) of reported that they or a family member has had a serious problem affording doctor and hospital bills.
- Over one-quarter (26%) of African Americans listed crime as the most important issue facing their community.

Source: Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

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